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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.

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#### AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Final Office Action mailed August 5, 2004.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.